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#### **CALIFORNIA CATTLE ON FEED**

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in California feedlots totaled 415,000 head on September 1, 2014, down 3 percent from last month, and 18 percent lower than September 2013. During August, placements of 40,000 head were 27 percent below the previous year. Marketings of 40,000 head were 33 percent below August 2013. Other disappearance totaled 5,000 head.

#### **UNITED STATES CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 1 PERCENT**

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the U.S. for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.8 million head on September 1, 2014. The inventory was 1 percent below September 1, 2013.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 1.72 million, 3 percent below 2013. Net placements were 1.65 million head. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 410,000, 600-699 pounds were 280,000, 700-799 pounds were 395,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 635,000. For the month of August placements are the lowest since the series began in 1996.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.69 million, 10 percent below 2013. August marketings are the lowest since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 66,000 during August, 32 percent above 2013

CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED IN 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS IN SELECTED STATES AND UNITED STATES

	Numl	ber On Feed Augu	st 1/	Placed Du	ring August	Marketed During August		
State	2013	2014	2014/2013	2013	2014	2013	2014	
	1,000 l	Head	Percent		1,000	Head		
Arizona	262	262	100	23	21	18	25	
California	515	420	82	55	40	60	40	
Colorado	870	810	93	145	145	180	150	
Idaho	185	185	100	52	33	46	37	
lowa	560	600	107	66	63	73	80	
Kansas	2,000	1,900	95	380	410	390	345	
Minnesota	109	116	106	13	15	20	17	
Nebraska	2,080	2,160	104	440	425	420	440	
Oklahoma	285	240	84	47	50	51	44	
South Dakota	180	190	106	28	30	37	34	
Texas	2,490	2,470	99	440	410	490	415	
Washington	189	189	100	43	44	47	33	
Other States	300	295	98	40	34	39	32	
UNITED STATES	10,025	9,837	98	1,772	1,720	1,871	1,692	

	Other Disappearand	ce During August 2/	Number On Fee	<u>2014</u>	
State	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
		1,000	Head		Percent
Arizona	1	1	266	257	97
California	5	5	505	415	82
Colorado	5	5	830	800	96
Idaho	1	1	190	180	95
Iowa	3	3	550	580	105
Kansas	10	15	1,980	1,950	98
Minnesota	1	1	101	113	112
Nebraska	10	15	2,090	2,130	102
Oklahoma	1	1	280	245	88
South Dakota	1	1	170	185	109
Texas	10	15	2,430	2,450	101
Washington	1	1	184	199	108
Other States	1	2	300	295	98
UNITED STATES	50	66	9,876	9,799	99

<sup>1/</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals being fed for slaughter market on grain or other concentrates, and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes death losses, movement from feedlot to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

#### **PACFIC REGION - COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER**

California's production of red meat during August 2014 totaled 100.4 million pounds (dressed weight), 7 percent lower than the previous month and 33 percent lower than August 2013. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and State-inspected plants, but excludes slaughter done on farms. In August 2014, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,297 pounds, calves 95 pounds, sheep & lambs 127 pounds, and hogs 253 pounds.

In Nevada, 100,000 pounds of red meat were produced in August 2014, and 800,000 pounds were produced in Hawaii.

#### **RED MEAT PRODUCTION DOWN 10 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR**

Commercial red meat production for the U.S. totaled 3.80 billion pounds in August, down 10 percent from the 4.20 billion pounds produced in August 2013.

Beef production, at 2.02 billion pounds, was 10 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.50 million head, down 11 percent from August 2013. The average live weight was up 19 pounds from the previous year, at 1,329 pounds.

Veal production totaled 7.1 million pounds, 22 percent below August a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 43,600 head, down 32 percent from August 2013. The average live weight was up 37 pounds from last year, at 277 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.75 billion pounds, down 10 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 8.27 million head, down 13 percent from August 2013. The average live weight was up 11 pounds from the previous year, at 282 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 11.7 million pounds, was down 15 percent from August 2013. Sheep slaughter totaled 181,400 head, 13 percent below last year. The average live weight was 129 pounds, down 4 pounds from August a year ago.

January to August 2014 commercial red meat production was 31.2 billion pounds, down 4 percent from 2013. Accumulated beef production was down 6 percent from last year, veal was down 12 percent, pork was down 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 1 percent.

August 2013 contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

August 2014 contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

0.8

0.1

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, AUGUST 2013-14 1/

	Number Slau	ghtered	Total Live W	/eight	Average Live	Weight	
Species and Location	2013 2014		2013	2014	2013 2014		
·	1,000 He	ead	1,000 Pou	nds	Pounds	3	
CATTLE							
California	151.7	92.3	195,277	118,687	1,295	1,297	
Hawaii	1.0	0.9	1,115	981	1,124	1,130	
Nevada	0.1	0.2	134	159	1,078	1,059	
U.S. Total	2,817.3	2,500.9	3,682,412	3,316,507	1,310	1,329	
CALVES							
California	15.5	10.7	1,504	1,002	98	95	
Hawaii	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)	
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	
U.S. Total	64.4	43.6	15,372	11,988	240	277	
SHEEP & LAMBS							
California	27.9	22.8	3,631	2,901	130	127	
Hawaii	0.1	0.1	10	10	127	134	
Nevada	0.1	0.1	9	15	129	130	
U.S. Total	207.9	181.4	27,608	23,342	133	129	
HOGS							
California	200.8	176.6	49,010	44,727	244	253	
Hawaii	1.3	1.2	292	281	232	242	
Nevada	0.1	0.1	17	24	256	237	
U.S. Total	9,555.3	8,268.1	2,588,811	2,334,731	271	282	
	August	J	uly	August	Aug 14	Aug 14	
RED MEAT	2013	20	014	2014	Aug 13	Jul 14	
		Million	Pounds		Pe	rcent	
California	149.9	1	0.80	100.4	67	93	

8.0

0.1

3,906.9

8.0

0.1

Hawaii

Nevada

92

125

90

(Y)

U.S. Total1/ Farm slaughter excluded.

<sup>(</sup>D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

<sup>(</sup>X) Not applicable.

<sup>(</sup>Y) Less than level of precision shown.

#### FEDERALLY-INSPECTED SLAUGHTER FOR REGIONS AND U.S., JANUARY-AUGUST 2014 1/

Standard Federal	Total	Steers	Steers Heifers		Cows		Bulls	CalvesTotal
Regions	Total	Sieers	Hellers	All	Dairy	Other	Dulis	
				1,000	Head			
1	1.5	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4
2	5.6	1.6	1.0	2.4	1.8	0.6	0.5	9.6
3	81.3	24.2	6.4	47.0	37.6	9.4	3.7	8.1
4	53.6	3.3	1.4	41.9	12.2	29.7	6.9	0.2
5	256.9	126.8	32.9	95.8	63.5	32.3	10.4	13.0
6	445.1	225.4	135.5	73.3	27.7	45.7	10.9	0.3
7	1,109.4	671.1	382.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	0.3
8	268.4	159.1	90.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(Y)
9	135.0	53.7	10.6	67.6	57.2	10.3	3.2	1Ò.Ś
10	96.9	52.8	23.9	18.4	14.2	4.2	1.9	1.0
U.S.	2,462.7	1,318.8	685.2	410.4	228.5	181.8	48.4	43.0

		Hogs		Sheep				
Standard Federal Regions	Total	Barrows & Gilts	Sows	Boars	Total	Mature Sheep	Lambs & Yearlings	
				1,000 Head				
1	2.5	(D)	(Y)	(D)	2.6	0.1	2.4	
2	11.8	11.6	0.1	0.1	12.7	1.9	10.9	
3	388.0	387.6	0.8	0.1	10.7	1.0	9.7	
4	1,051.7	(D)	69.2	(D)	5.0	1.1	3.9	
5	2,281.6	2,178.1	98.6	5.0	29.4	2.7	26.6	
6	428.3	428.3	(Y)	(Y)	3.4	0.5	2.9	
7	3,473.1	3,408.1	49.7	15.3	0.8	(Y)	0.8	
8	366.4	366.1	0.3	(Y)	72.4	2.6	69.8	
9	172.1	172.1	(Y)	(Y)	21.5	0.5	21.0	
10	23.9	23.8	(Y)	(Y)	3.1	0.2	2.8	
U.S.	8,199.4	7,952.3	218.9	28.3	161.4	10.6	150.8	

- States included in regions are as follows: 1–CT, ME, NH, VT, MA & RI; 2–NY & NJ; 3–DE-MD, PA, WV & VA; 4-AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC & TN; 5–IL, IN, MI, MN, OH & WI; 6–AR, LA, NM, OK & TX; 7–IA, KS, MO & NE; 8–CO, MT, ND, SD, UT & WY; 9–AZ, CA, HI & NV; 10--AK, ID, OR & WA.
- (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.
- (X) Not applicable.
- (Y) Less than level of precision shown.

#### MILK PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA AND UNITED STATES

	CALIFORNIA 1/						Total		UNITED STATES 1/2/					
Month	Milk Co	ows 3/	Milk Per	Cow 4/	Milk Prod	uction 4/	Recei	ots 5/	Milk Co	ows 3/	Milk Per	Cow 4/	Milk Prod	uction 4/
MONTH	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
	1,000	Head	Poul	nds	Million F	Pounds	Million F	Pounds	1,000	Head	Pou	nds	Million Pounds	
Jan.	1,780	1,781	1,945	3,615	3,462	3,615	3,461	3,623	8,497	8,512	1,881	1,902	15,985	16,186
Feb.	1,780	1,780	1,815	1,910	3,231	3,400	3,228	3,396	8,498	8,513	1,732	1,750	14,715	14,899
Mar.	6/	1,781	6/	2,140	3,676	3,811	3,670	3,806	6/	8,521	6/	1,958	16,501	16,687
Apr.	6/	1,780	6/	2,065	3,622	3,676	3,617	3,671	6/	8,542	6/	1,912	16,105	16,332
May	6/	1,779	6/	2,110	3,720	3,754	3,718	3,750	6/	8,559	6/	1,977	16,648	16,922
June	6/	1,779	6/	1,995	3,489	3,549	3,485	3,544	6/	8,572	6/	1,893	15,860	16,227
July	1,780	1,779	1,895	1,980	3,373	3,522	3,371	3,521	8,522	8,583	1,850	1,909	15,762	16,388
Aug.	1,780	1,778	1,910	1,940	3,400	3,449	3,396		8,522	8,582	1,850	1,885	15,768	16,177
Sept.	1,781		1,795		3,197		3,196		8,508		1,748		14,874	
Oct.	1,781		1,875		3,339		3,335		8,504		1,817		16,449	
Nov.	1,781		1,840		3,277		3,275		8,499		1,765		15,002	
Dec.	1,781		1,950		3,473		3,471		8,504		1,851		15,741	

- Revised 2013 data.
- Twenty-three state total.
- Includes dry cows, but excludes heifers not yet fresh.
- Excludes milk sucked by calves.
- Milk receipts are from the California Department of Food and Agriculture's Dairy Marketing and Milk Pooling branches. Excludes on-farm usage.
- Due to federal sequestration, data collection on the number of cows and milk per cow has been suspended; milk production totals are based on administrative data

### FARM PRICES: AVERAGE PRICE RECEIVED BY FARMERS, CALIFORNIA AND U.S. 1/

			California		United States				
Commodity	Unit	August 2013	July 2014	Aug. 15, 2014	August 2013	July 2014	Aug. 15, 2014		
Hogs 2/ 3/	Cwt.				74.20	93.30	88.30		
Cows 2/ 4/	Cwt.				83.90	115.00	121.00		
Steers and Heifers	Cwt.				122.00	157.00	161.00		
Calves	Cwt.				178.00	257.00	262.00		
Milk Cows 5/ 6/	Head		2,000.00			1,970.00			
All Milk, Wholesale 2/ 7/	Cwt.	18.11	21.70	22.10	19.60	23.30	23.70		

- The estimated prices in the table represent composite average prices received by farmers and are averages for all grades, classes, and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.
- Previous month revised to monthly average.
- Prices include barrows, gilts, and sows. 3/
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- Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

  Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices published January, April, July and October.

  Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsides.
- August 2014 Fat test percent: all milk; 3.63

## HAY PRICES 1/

			Alfalfa hay		Other Hay						
Commodity	Unit	August 2013	July 2014	August 2014	August 2013	July 2014	August 2014				
			Dollars								
Arizona	Tons	190.00	240.00	240.00	210.00	205.00	205.00				
California 2/	Tons	201.00	275.00	245.00	161.00	225.00	190.00				
Idaho	Tons	200.00	215.00	200.00	170.00	205.00	180.00				
Nevada	Tons	212.00	265.00	260.00	190.00	215.00	225.00				
Oregon	Tons	198.00	235.00	230.00	217.00	225.00	225.00				
Utah	Tons	187.00	195.00	205.00	155.00	160.00	165.00				
UNITED STATES	Tons	199.00	216.00	209.00	137.00	143.00	134.00				

<sup>1/</sup> Current month hay prices are preliminary.
2/ Previous month revised to monthly average.